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For: 3' -END NUCLEOSIDE UNIT COMPRISING  
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**AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

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**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

In response to the Office Action dated July 23, 2009, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

**Amendments to the Specification** can be found at page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Drawings** begin on page 6 of this paper and include an attached replacement sheet.

**Amendments to the Abstract** begin on page 7 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 8 of this paper.